

In many communities, local government has the power to regulate land use. These powers can include zoning, special permits, special projects, health codes, subdivision regulations, capital improvement projects, building codes, disclosure of noise levels, and public acquisition of land. It is important, when changes in land use or land use controls are being considered either on or off the installation, that the installation and the surrounding communities be informed and given the opportunity to comment on any resulting impacts on training capabilities or quality-of-life issues. The following is an example of an agreement that formalizes the relationship between the community and the installation and could be modified and adapted as necessary.

Formalizing agreements with the community

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SHAW AIR FORCE BASE AND THE CITY OF SUMTER, SUMTER COUNTY, AND THE SUMTER CITY-COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

This Memorandum of Understanding between Shaw Air Force Base, the City of Sumter, Sumter City-County Planning Commission, and Sumter County, South Carolina is enacted to establish a mutually beneficial process that will ensure timely and consistent notification and cooperation between the parties on projects, policies, and activities. These parties have a mutual interest in the cooperative evaluation, review, and coordination of local plans, program, and projects of the City of Sumter, Sumter County, and Sumter City-County Planning Commission and Shaw Air Force Base..

The City of Sumter Sumter County, and Sumter City-County Planning Commission agree to:

1. Submit information to the Shaw Air Force Base Community Planner on plans, programs, actions, and projects which may affect Shaw Air Force Base and Poinsett Weapons Range. This may include, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a. Development proposals
 - b. Transportation improvements and plans
 - c. Sanitary waste facilities
 - d. Open space and recreation
 - e. Public works projects
 - f. Solid waste management proposals
 - g. Land use plans and ordinances
 - h. Rezoning and variances
 - i. Subdivisions
2. Submit to the Shaw Air Force Base Community Planner for review and comment, project notification, policies, plans, projects, reports, studies, and similar information on land, facility, and environmental activities within the vicinity of Shaw Air Force Base and the Poinsett Weapons Range as identified on the map at Attachment 1.
3. Incorporate Shaw Air Force Bas comments into local responses and reports, or if not accepted, submit written explanation stating reasons comments will not be incorporated at least five days prior to the decision.

4. Include the Shaw Air Force Base Community Planner in the distribution of meeting agendas for, but not limited to, the following::

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| a. Sumter City Council | e. Sumter City Zoning Board of Adjustment |
| b. Sumter County Council | f. Sumter Subdivision/Planned Development Review Committee |
| c. Sumter City-County Planning Commission | g. Sumter Urban Area Transportation Study Committee |
| d. Sumter County Zoning Board of Adjustment | |

Shaw Air Force Base agrees to:

1. Submit information to the Sumter City-County Planning Director on plans, programs, actions, and projects which may affect the City of Sumter and Sumter County. These may include, but are not limited to, the following:

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| a. Base Comprehensive Plans | d. Substantial changes in existing installation use |
| b. Withdrawals of public domain land for military use | e. Appropriate data for local plans, programs, and projects |
| c. Air Installation Compatibility Use Zone (AICUZ) studies | |

2. Submit to the Sumter City-County Planning Director for review policies, plans, projects, reports, studies, and similar information on land, facility, and environmental activities at Shaw Air Force Base and the Poinsett Weapons Range.

This agreement will remain in effect until terminated by any of the parties. Amendments to this Memorandum may be made by mutual agreement of all the parties. Review process details and appropriate forms may be developed to facilitate uniform and efficient exchange of comments. This agreement will not be construed to obligate the Air Force, the City of Sumter, Sumter County, or the Sumter City-County Planning Commission to violate existing or future laws and regulations.

This agreement is approved by:

By: _____

Title: Chairman, Planning Commission

Date: _____

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